

6 Degrees of Information Literacy:

How faculty, students, and administration are linked to
(Kevin Bacon)—

wait, a **librarian**

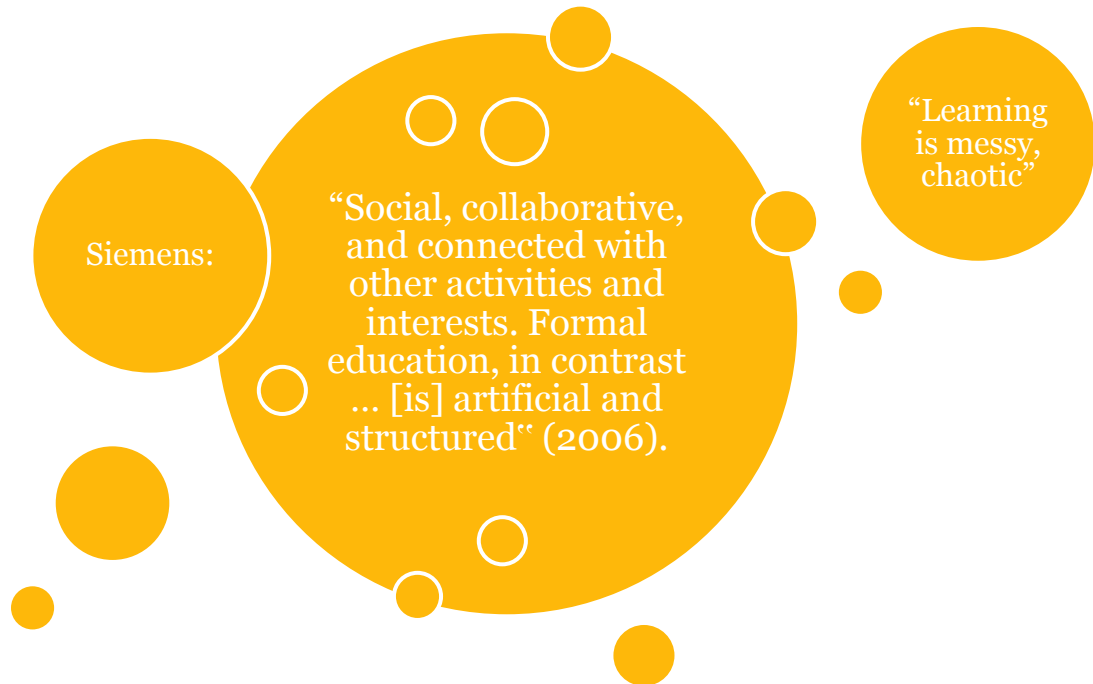


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Thanks, Stanley & George

- Milgrim; “The Small World Experiment,” 1967
- Siemens, Connectivist learning theory, 2005-06
- Albright College





Information Literacy

- A set of abilities requiring individuals to "recognize when information is needed and have the ability to **locate, evaluate, and use effectively** the needed information."

(American Library Association, 2000, 2004)

- **Information literacy** has been described as the **core literacy of the 21st century** and is included as a **key component** of **21st century skills**

(Garner, 2006, p. 68; Institute of Museum & Library Services, 2009; Gilchrist & Oakleaf, 2012)

An Information Literate Student can:

- **Determine** the extent of information needed
- **Access** the needed information effectively and efficiently
- **Evaluate** information and its sources critically
- **Incorporate** selected information into one's knowledge base
- **Use** information effectively to accomplish a specific purpose
- **Understand** the economic, legal, and social issues surrounding the use of information, and access and use information ethically and legally.

Library Instruction in the TLCs

Typical

- Introduction, Tours
- Faculty-driven
- Scavenger Hunts
- One-shot sessions
- Minimal prior knowledge, planning
- Limited communication or collaboration
- No assessment or formative
- Next contact...Senior year?

High-Impact

- Engaged, authentic tasks and assessment (formative and summative); personal
- Faculty, librarian, advisor, and student driven
- Aligned with course, department, institutional, and professional goals
- Repeat visits to library and class
- Project or problem-based learning
- Blended learning
- Flipped classroom

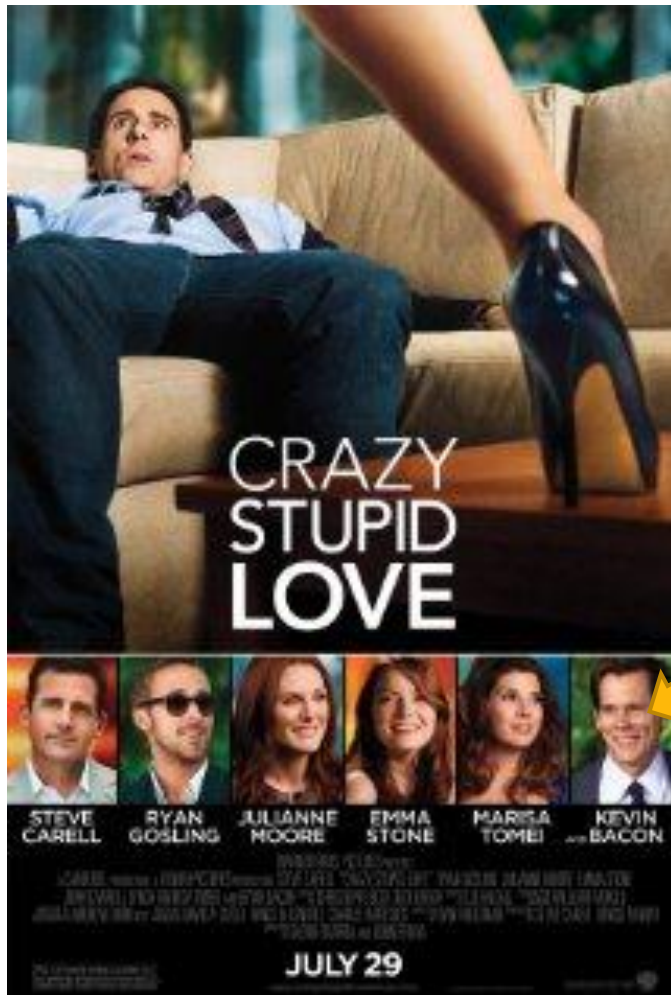
Faculty, Student, Librarian, Advisor, Mentor...

What role do you play?



**Spoiler
Alert...**

“Crazy, Stupid, Love”



- Student and faculty success related to library resources and instruction
- Misperceptions
- Relationships
- *LEaP* and *VALUE* (Kuh, 2008):
high-impact, personal growth and self-reflection, and what works in the right situation
- *Value of Academic Libraries* (Oakleaf, 2011):
Set high standards, and...you never know who you might be connected to

“Where the Truth Lies”

- Unanswered questions
- Research and personal connection
- NSSE, CSSE, NCES
- End-of-course evaluations
- Self-report
- Formative/Summative assessment
- Tours, orientations, training



“Mystic River”



- *What do we do?*
- Other departments—advising, writing centers, career centers/placement, research, faculty/teaching centers, professional development, and mentoring
- Trust
- Relationships
- Support

“Apollo 13”

- Houston...
- Take a risk, but avert a crisis
- Practice, practice...
- Common goals
- Authentic assessment
- Explore new relationships
- Follow through
- Celebrate victories!



“The Big Picture”



- Make connections
- Anti-heroic, supporting characters
- Unconventional
- Ensemble
- Supporting role, director, or lead
- Virtual support
- Learning spaces
- Librarian: organizer, reviewer, fact-checker, aggregator, teacher, relationship-builder

Hayes (Taylor & Stamatoplos, 1999):

“Librarians must be granted the authority, responsibility, and time to develop the programs that will accommodate institution-wide curriculum needs, rather than merely responding to individual requests from those faculty who already recognize the importance of information research to their teaching.”

A Template for First-Year Seminars at IUPUI

Our Script

Developed by IUPUI University
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<http://research.uc.iupui.edu/EvaluationReports/FirstYearSeminars.aspx>

QUIZ ANSWERS

Movie Years:

- *Mystic River* (2003)--3
- *Crazy, Stupid Love* (2011)--1
- *The Big Picture* (1989)--5
- *Where the Truth Lies* (2005)--2
- *Apollo 13* (1995)--4

Character Names

- ✓ Chip Diller (*Animal House*)
- ☐ Jerry McGuire—TOM CRUISE
- ✓ Jack Swigert (*Apollo 13*)
- ✓ Ren McCormack (*Footloose*)
- ☐ Sam Malone—TED DANSON
- ☐ Will Truman—ERIC MCCORMACK
- ✓ David Lindhagen (*Crazy, Stupid Love*)

For more Kevin & 6 Degrees:

<http://www.sixdegrees.org/>

<http://oracleofbacon.org/>

Resources

(Kevin Bacon) Image, slide 1:

<http://tvtropes.org/pmwiki/pmwiki.php/Main/KevinBacon>

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